THE
SOUTH-CAROLINA GAZETTE,
Containing the freſheſt Advices, Foreign and Domeſtick.
Monday, *March* 28th, 1743. [*Numb.* 470]

South-Carolina.

The PRESENTMENTS *of the* Grand Jury *for the Body of this Province, at a Court of General Seſſions,* &c. *begun and holden at* Charles-Town *March* 16*th*, 1742, *before the Honourable* Benjamin Whitaker, *Eſq; Chief Juſtice.*

1*ſt* WE *preſent* as a Grievance, and a very great one, the too common Neglect of putting in Execution the Laws againſt Irreligion, Deiſm, and a licentious Ridiculing the holy Scriptures and Matters of a ſacred Nature.

2*dly.* We *preſent* THE TOO COMMON PRACTICE of *CRIMINAL CONVERSATION* with NEGRO and other SLAVE WENCHES IN THIS PROVINCE, as an Enormity and Evil of general Ill-Conſequence.

3*dly.* We *preſent*, with Submiſſion, as a Matter very much concerning the Safety of this Province in caſe of an Invaſion, that there ſhould be great Guns placed at proper Diſtances, for the more ſpeedily and certainly conveying an Alarm throughout the Province, for the want of which it has happened, that ſome Plantations have been ſeveral Days before the Alarm reach'd them.

4*thly.* We *preſent*, with Submiſſion likewiſe, as a Matter concerning the Safety of this Province in general, and *Charles-Town* in particular, that the Town-Companies be train'd to the Exerciſe of great Guns.

5*thly.* We *preſent*, as a Grievance, that a Law enjoining the leaving ten Feet ſtanding Woods on each ſide of all High-Roads in this Province, is not obſerved and duely executed by the ſeveral Commiſſioners of High-Roads in their ſeveral Diſtricts, throughout this Province.

6*thly.* We *preſent* the Neceſſity of taking ſome effectual Means, to prevent Sailors deſerting from their reſpective Ships, and eſpecially from leaving this Province in Times of Alarm or Invaſion.

7*thly.* We *preſent*, as a Grievance, that the Commiſſioners for the High-Roads in St. *James Goose-Creek*, neglect to keep the Bridge commonly called *Hume's Bridge* in Repair and good Order, whereby it is become very unſafe to travel over it.

8*thly.* We *preſent*, as a Grievance, that the Commiſſioners of the High-Road on *John's-Iſland* leading to *Stono-Bridge*, neglect to keep the Cauſey leading to the ſaid Bridge in Repair, whereby it is rendered dangerous to paſs the ſaid Cauſey.

9*thly.* We preſent *Alexander Robertſon* for keeping a diſorderly Houſe at *Parker's* Ferry on *Ponpon-River*; and likewiſe, his Brother *James Robertſon*, for keeping an inſufficient Ferry Boat over the ſaid Ferry, to the endangering the Lives of all Paſſengers and their Horſes.

10*thly.* We preſent, as a Grievance, the want of ſworn Weighers to attend the Scales on the Wharfs of *Charles-Town*, it being well known that Boys and other Perſons not qualified, weigh conſiderable Quantities of Rice, &c. whereby the Merchants or Planters may be great Sufferers.

James De St. Julien, Foreman.
George Hunter,
John Ouldfield,
John MacKenzie,
Richard Gough,
Joſeph Jones,
Benjamin Fuller,
Stephen Mazyck,
Henry Sheriff,
Francis Des Champs.
Luke Stoutenburgh,
William Harvey,
John Holmes,
Abraham Mitchan,
Iſaac Cordes,
Paul Mazyck,
John Bruce.
John Hutchinſon,
Samuel Bullach,
John Bulline.

Letter from a Freeholder in this Province to a Member of Aſſembly.

SIR, 10th *March*, 1742-3.

AS one of your Conſtituents, I take the Liberty to trouble you with my Thoughts on a Subject, which I preſume will not be diſagreeable to you. It is with no ſmall Concern

cern that I frequently reflect on *Our Backwardness to encourage the Importation of poor Protestants* into this Province, since it must be allowed that the Encrease of People is a sure Means of advancing the Wealth and Strength of every Colony, and more especially when we have so laudable an Example set before us, as that of the Northern Colonies; it is too true true that we have let slip some Opportunities, which if improv'd, might have effectually obtained this desirable End, but there is, in my Opinion, one still left that may turn greatly to our Advantage.

I take it for granted, that there is now in the Hands of the Treasurer 20,000 *l.* Currency, which arose from the Duty on Negroes, and is appropriated to pay the Passages of such poor Protestants as shall come and settle in this Province, now I would propose, that That Money be kept as a perpetual Fund for the bringing in yearly *One Hundred* white People from *Germany* or *Switzerland*, in the following Manner

The Passage of a Person from *Holland* is at present *Six Pounds Sterling*, so that *One Hundred* People, exclusive of small Children, will amount to 4,200 *l* according to the present Course of Exchange; when that Sum is drawn out, there will remain in the Treasurer's Hands 15,800 *l.* which being placed out at Interest, at *Ten per Cent. per Annum*, will be encreased 1,580 *l.* and the second Year when *One Hundred* more shall be imported, the Sum 17,380 *l.* which then will be in the Treasurer's Hands, after deducting the Passages as above, will be reduced to 13,180 *l.* This at Interest will raise the third Year 1,318 *l.* and then there will be in the Treasurer's Hands 14,498 *l.* at which Time the third *Hundred* Passengers will amount to 4,200 *l.* and the Sum of 10,298 *l.* will remain in the Treasury.

I propose that the General Assembly do agree with proper Persons to import *One Hundred* People, exclusive of small Children, annually, and that they be sold for their Passage Money, and that Bonds be taken for the same by the Treasurer from the Purchasers, payable at the End of three Years, at which Time (on Certificates given from the Masters of such Servants to the Treasurer, that they have served their three Years Servitude) the Servants shall be intitled to receive from the Treasurer the Sum of *Ten Pounds* each, Children excepted, for Subsistence Money, and that the said Servants, if they desire it, may have Land assigned them in one of the Townships.

It appears from the above Calculation there will remain in the Fund at the End of three Years £. 10,298

At which Time will be reimbursed for the first *Hundred* Servants	4,200
	14,498
Deduct for Subsistence Money for the first 100	1,000
	13,498
This Sum at Interest to the End of the 4th Year will raise	1,349

So that there will be in the Treasurer's Hands £. 14,847 when a like Number will be imported, and the Purchasers of the second Year's *Hundred* People, will be called to answer the Demand of those imported the fourth Year, and so annually, and the Interest of the above and last mentioned Sums will be sufficient to pay the Subsistence Money yearly, and a Surplus will also remain to answer any Disappointment that may happen.

Upon the whole, I think it very plainly appears, That the 20,000 *l.* now in the Treasurer's Hands, will prove an inexhaustible Fund for the Purposes I have mentioned, and may very probably add near *Fifty* white Men yearly to us, which under our Circumstances will be no small Advantage to the Colony.

These are my Thoughts on this Affair, and are intended only as Hints which may undoubtedly be improved by your House, and if I should be fortunate enough to have your Approbation of my Sentiments, or if you are of Opinion that something of this Kind ought to be done, I hope you will insert it in the *Gazette*, that every Gentleman may have an Opportunity of lending his Assistance to correct and amend this Design, in such a Manner as it may be rendered beneficial to our Country, which is the only Desire and Intention of, *Sir*,

Yours, &c.

CHARLES-TOWN, *March* 28.

On Thursday last ended the General Sessions of the Peace, *&c.* when one *William Thomas* a Welch man, against whom Twelve Bills of Indictment had been found, and who had broke out of Prison three Times within these two Years, having been found guilty, on three several Indictments, of stealing a Horse, of stealing and killing a Calf, and breaking of Prison, and was accordingly ordered to be executed on Wednesday next between the Hours of 10 and 12 in the Forenoon. He was likewise tried for maliciously and wilfully setting Fire to and burning Captain *Mitchan's* Barn, with his Crop in it, and *acquitted!*

The same Day arrived here the two *Spanish* Vessels taken by Captain *Fenwick*

The Ship *Bonadventure*, Capt. *Robert Ward*, was taken on the 13th of *December* last, 120 Leagues to the Westward of *Madeira*, by a *Spanish* Guarda Costa and a Private Schooner, one of 14 Six Pounders and 120 Men, the other of 10 Guns and 100 Men, both belonging to the *Havana*, and bound to the *Canary Islands* On the 3d of *January* following she was met with and re-taken 15 Leagues to the Windward of *Porto Rico*, by his Majesty's Snow the *Otter*, Capt. *Gage* Commander, and carried into *Antigua*, from whence she arrived here on Tuesday last: Captain *Ward* brings Advice, that the Fleet under Captain *Peter Warren* was sail'd from that Island.

We hear from *Antigua*, that Colonel *Lucas* is made Governor of that Island, in the Room of Governor *Byam*.

Custom-House CHARLES-TOWN,

Entred Inwards.

Ship Mary, Nicholas Stephenson from Philadelphia.
Ship Bonadventure, Robert Ward from Madeira.
Snow Francis, David Beavan from St. Kitts
Brigt. Rising Sun, James Jauncey from Bermuda.
Brigt Dove, Robert Ford from Boston.
Brigt Two Sisters, James Rew from Antigua.
Sloop Veroon, Richard Harris from Cape Cameroon.

Entred Outwards.

None.

Clear'd for Departure.

Ship Anne, John Dennis to Cowes
Brigt Dolphin, John Evans to Boston.
Sloop Diamond, Edward Evans to Barbados.

Exported from this Place since Nov. 1. 1742.

Rice, 33145 Barrels.	Tarr, 1127 Barrels.
Pitch, 3090 Barrels.	Turpentine, 701 Barrels.
Deer Skins, 185 Hogsheads.	

Prices of the following Goods, of the Produce of the Province.

Rice *per Cwt.* 30 *sh.* 0	Skins *per lb.* 15 *sh.*
Pitch *per Barrel*, 35 *s.*	Staves *per* 1000, 15 *l.*
Tar, 30 *s* 0 *d.*	Corn *per Bushel*, 10 *sh.*
Turpentine, 12 *sh* 6	Pease, 10 *s.* 0 *d.*

Of the Product of Foreign Parts,

Flour *per Ct.* 4 *l.* 10	*Barbados* Rum *per Hhd.* 20 *s* 0
Brown Bread, 4 *l.*	*Antigua* —, 20 *s.*
Ship ——, 4 *l.*	Melasses, 10 *sh.*
Middling ——, 6 *l.* 10	*Madeira* Wine *per Pipe*, 130 *l.*
Milk ——, *per Qu.Ca* 60 *s.*	Fine Salt *per Bushel*, 17 *sh.* 6
White ——, 50 *sh.*	Coarse —, 15 *sh.* 0
N-York Beer *per Barrel*, 8 *l.*	Clarret *per Hhd* 100 *l.*
New England Rum *per Hhd.* 16 *s* 3 *d* to 17 *s.* a *Gallon.*	—— *per Doz.* Bottles 7 *l.*

Advertisements.

JUST IMPORTED a choice Parcel of *Madeira* Wine, amongst which are some Pipes of *New-York* Wine, and to be sold by *Elmsford & Osmond.*

Also *Barbados* Rum, and *Rhenish* Wine in small Casks.

IMPORTED in the last Ships from *Europe*, sundry Goods proper for this Place and Season, and to be sold very reasonable by *Nicholson, Shubrick*, & Company, at their Store on the Bay, where they have a choice Parcel of *Barbados* Rum to sell. This is likewise to inform all Gentlemen, that they will take Stears and barrel Beef, alive and dead Hogs, barrel Pork and Pease in Payment at Market Price.

RUN AWAY from Landgrave *Bellinger's* Plantation near *Edmond bury*, a Negro Man named *Cæsar*, lately the Property of Mr. *John Willock*, he is this Country born, about 28 Years of Age, and is a tall well set lusty Fellow, near 6 Feet high, he has a fresh Cut in his Left Hand between the fore Finger and Thumb, and had so when he went away a brown Negro Cloth Jacket and Breeches. Whoever brings him to Mr. *John Watson*, in *Charles Town*, or to the Widow *Bellinger's* near *Ashley-Ferry*, or to the Plantation aforesaid, shall have 10 *l.* reward and all reasonable Charges.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of Col. *William Wattes*, deceas'd, that are now become due, are desired to come and discharge their respective Debts, or settle to the Satisfaction of the Executors, Capt. *John Coachman* and *William Wattes*. Likewise all Persons that have any Demands on the said Estate, are desired to send in their Accompts, properly attested, that proper Means may be taken to discharge them

JUST IMPORTED in the Ship *Mary*, Captain *Stephenson* from *Philadelphia*, Ship, Middling and Milk Biscuit, Flour, Beer, Soap, Candles, Bar Iron, and *New England* Rum, and to be sold very reasonably by

Jonathan Scott.

ANY Person having in Possession two Plats of *James Ferguson*, deceas'd, one of 600 Acres made over to him by *Joshua Sanders*, the other of 500 Acres by *William Williamson* in *Craven* County, or any other Papers of the said Deceased, are desired to acquaint the Subscriber thereof. All Persons having any Demands on the aforesaid Deceased's Estate, are desired to send in their attested Accompts: And all those indebted to that Estate, are desired to come forthwith and discharge their respective Debts that proper Measures may be taken to settle the Accompts of the said Deceased by *Joshua Sanders*, Executor.

A Parcel of choice and fresh Medicines lately imported, adapted to the Diseases of this Province, (to the Value of Fifty Pounds Sterling) to be sold altogether at their Prime Cost, together with several Mortars, a Still, Copper Nests of Drainers, &c. by *Arthur Mowbray*. Who desires that all Persons who have any Demands on him, will please to send them in to him, at Mr. *John Stanyarne's*, that proper Care may be taken to discharge them.

Arthur Mowbray

WHereas I am indebted to several Persons in *South-Carolina*, this is to give Notice, that I was sued in two Actions of Mess. *Simmons, Smith* & Comp. and Mr. *James Crokatt*, at the Court of *Savannah* in *Georgia* held on the 8th of *February* last, and that I then and there gave up all what I had, for the Benefit of all my Creditors that shall come and prove their Accompts at the said Court, to be held in *May* next; and for the Benefit of the Act for clearing insolvent Debtors

Augusta, March 2, 1742 3 *Robert Vaughan.*

STRAY'D from Charles-Town, in October last, a large brown Bay Horse, with several grey Hairs about his Head and Tail, is well known by the Name of *Ranger*, and for out pacing most of the Horses in this Province; he may have some Brands, but not plain enough to be described. Whoever brings him to Mr. *Steph. Dewse's* at *Dorchester* shall have 5 *l* reward.

RUn away, a Dutch Apprentice Boy nam'd *William Mull*, a Shoemaker, he is short and thick, full Fac'd, and has a large Scar on his Left Hand near the Thumb, Whoever takes up and brings him to me on *John's Island*, shall have 3 l. reward and all reasonable Charges.

George Fickling.

TO be sold, on Tuesday the 29th Day of *March Inst.* to the Highest Bidder, at the Plantation formerly belonging to Henry Videau now in the Possession of Mr. John Paggett, a choice parcel of Plantation Slaves, most of them this Country born, amongst which are a parcel of Boys. Credit will be given to the first of January, paying Interest from the Day and giving such Security as will be agreeable to

Henry Videau.

THE Society *for propagating the Gospel in foreign Parts, having had long and much at Heart the* Propagation *of the same among the* Negro *and* Indian Slaves, *in his Majesty's Colonies in* America, *have lately resolved on the following* Method *of pursuing this good End*; viz. *by purchasing some Country born young* Negroes, *causing them to be instructed to read the Bible, and in the chief Principles of the Christian Religion, and thenceforth employing them (under the Direction of proper Trustees) as* School-Masters, *for the same Instruction of all such* Negro *or* Indian *Children as may be born in the said Colonies. In Pursuance of this* Method, *the said* Society *have purchased, about* 15 *Months ago, two such* Negroes *for the said Service in this Province, and have since appropriated* One *of them for the same in* Charles-Town, *who will be sufficiently qualified for it in a few Months, and to whom all the* Negro *and* Indian *Children of this Parish may be sent for Education, without any Charge to their Masters or Owners.*

But whereas the said Society *have no other Fund to depend on for carrying on this good Work, but (under the Blessing of God) the voluntary Contributions of pious and well disposed Christians, they are not without Hopes of the charitable Assistance of some such in these Parts towards it. But more especially as they have appropriated* One *of their said* Negroes *for the Service of* Charles-Town, *they hope that the Inhabitants thereof will voluntarily contribute so small a Sum as* 400 *£. Currency, for building a convenient* School-House *for him, which the Subscriber consents may be done on a corner Piece of the Glebe Land near the Parsonage. This Building is to be finished in* 3 *or* 4 *Months from this Date, and whoever shall be disposed in their Hearts to contribute towards it, may pay their Contributions into the Hands of either of the Church Wardens of* Charles-Town, *or of the Subscriber; and the same shall be accounted for in the most publick and authentick Manner by*

ALEXANDER GARDEN.

TO be sold at publick Vendue on the First Thursday in *April* next, at the House of Mr. *John McPherson* at *Goose Creek*, by the Executors of Mr. *Moses Wilson* deceased, (giving one Year Credit) a Tract of Land on *Wadmelaw Island*, and some valuable Slaves: All Persons to whom the said Estate is indebted, are desired to send in their Accompts attested to Mr. *Richard Tankerman* or *Isaac Holmes* in *Church-street*.